

**Southwestern Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Work Session
February 13, 2018**

Present: Bob Wolff J.R. Ford David Guilliams
 Rusty Hinger Monte Naslund Jenny Russell
 Don Schwindt Charlie Smith

Absent: Doug Stowe

Staff: Bruce Whitehead, Southwestern Water Conservation District (SWCD) Executive Director
 Laura Spann, SWCD Programs Coordinator

Consultants: Beth Van Vurst, Fairfield and Woods

Guests: Marcel Gatzambide, San Juan Citizens Alliance

President Bob Wolff called the work session to order at 2:00 p.m. Roll was taken and a quorum established.

2017 Grant Program Report to Board *(time: 00:01:40)*

Of the \$650,000 budgeted for financial assistance in 2017, the board approved \$467,268, and \$435,279 was disbursed. All final grant reports due to SWCD had been received and were provided to the board. Any projects that have not been completed provided a written update if possible.

Grant Program Criteria Review, Staff Feedback, Consent Agenda Approval Concept *(time: 00:07:20)*

Bruce reviewed the 2018 grant program criteria adopted by the board. Staff described how the transition to annual application review and new guidelines went, and raised some questions for board clarification. There was consensus to address the grant application decisions as part of New Business rather than the Consent Agenda, since this is the first year applications are being discussed at a work session.

2018 Grant Application Review *(time: 00:38:20)*

The board reviewed and discussed all 2018 grant applications in detail. No action was taken on any grant applications.

Board Feedback and Wrap Up *(time: 02:48:25)*

Board and staff discussed adjustments to the application process beginning in 2019 based on the 2018 experience.

No action was taken during the work session. President Bob Wolff adjourned the work session at 5:00 p.m.



Robert Wolff, President